Contractor Agency Description and Requirements (Exceeding State Foster Home Licensing Rules or Contract)

1. ADCS will be updating the www.azkidsneedu.gov website with contractor information. Describe your agency and its specialties. Include your agency website url and contact information. Do not exceed 500 words.

Grace Retreat Foster Care and Adoption Services was founded by a foster and adoptive parent who understands first-hand what the foster families go through. We want to help families succeed at providing our children with the best home. Our agency prides itself on offering the highest-quality support for foster families. Foster Care is the main program that Grace Retreat focuses on. We devote our time, passion, and energy into making the program an exceptional one. Our efforts in fundraising and resources obtained will directly benefit the children and families we serve. Our first project is to build a supply of equipment required for the inspection of the home. We are open to constantly changing our approach in the way we support children and families to fit the demand of the ever-changing child welfare system.

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2. List and describe in detail any specific agency requirements or expectations of your agency that exceed the State foster home licensing rules or the requirements within this contract. This may include additional requirements regarding pets or pool fences, for example. Also include anything that may be considered added value, such as offering additional respite hours or a faith-based perspective.

| Name of Additional Requirement or Expectation | Is this Required? Yes or No | Reason |
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| We provide one visit per month | Yes | This provides more support. |
| when a child is placed in the | | |

| home. | | |
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| We provide a child and family therapist to support the foster family in crisis. | No | This will help prevent disruptions, support the families, and give the children and families the skills they need to manage their behaviors. |
| We provide legal support when a family is in need of advice. | No | This is educate the foster families about the court system and help them advocate for the children in their home. |
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